

the Subcommittee on Oversight of the Terrorist Surveillance Program with the following membership:

Senators Roberts (Chairman), Hatch, DeWine, Bond, Rockefeller, Levin, and Feinstein.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 4940, and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 356, were introduced. **Page H874**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H874**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 (H. Rept. 109–388); and

H.R. 1606, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to exclude communications over the Internet from the definition of public communication (H. Rept. 109–389). **Page H874**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Wolf to act as speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H871**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–95). **Pages H871–72**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### LEGISLATIVE ISSUES APPROPRIATIONS

**Committee on Appropriations:** On March 10, the Committee held a hearing on GPO, Library of Congress, Open World Leadership Center, GAO, and CBO. Testimony was heard from Bruce R. James, Public Printer, GPO; James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and Donald Marron, Acting Director, CBO.

## Joint Meetings

### EMPLOYMENT

**Joint Economic Committee:** On Friday, March 10, 2006, Committee concluded hearings to examine the em-

ployment-unemployment situation for February 2006, after receiving testimony from Kathleen P. Utgoff, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D205)

H.R. 3199, to extend and modify authorities needed to combat terrorism. Signed on March 9, 2006. (Public Law 109–177)

S. 2271, to clarify that individuals who receive FISA orders can challenge nondisclosure requirements, that individuals who receive national security letters are not required to disclose the name of their attorney, that libraries are not wire or electronic communication service providers unless they provide specific services. Signed on March 9, 2006. (Public Law 109–178)

S. 449, to facilitate shareholder consideration of proposals to make Settlement Common Stock under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act available to missed enrollees, eligible elders, and eligible persons born after December 18, 1971. Signed on March 13, 2006. (Public Law 109–179)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

**Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:** to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Boyd Kevin Rutherford, of Maryland, and Linda Avery Strachan, of Virginia, each to be an Assistant Secretary, Gale A. Buchanan, of Georgia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, and Marc L. Kesselman, of Tennessee, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Food and Drug Administration, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water, to hold hearings to examine an overview of the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Office of Science, the Energy

Supply and Conservation account, and the Fossil Energy Research and Development account within the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the D.C. Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, and the D.C. Public Defender Service, 3 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine military strategy and operational requirements in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine health benefits and programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007, 2:30 p.m., SR-325.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Joint Strike Fighter F-136 Alternate Engine Program in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years defense program, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James S. Simpson, of New York, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation, and Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine wireless issues relating to spectrum reform, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Wall Street perspective on telecommunications, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2007 for the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine administrative challenges facing the Social Security Administration, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Bangladesh for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income signed at Dhaka on September 26, 2004 with an exchange of notes enclosed (Treaty Doc. 109-05), Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed at Paris on August 31, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 109-04), Protocol Amending the Convention Between the United States of America and the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Estates, Inheritances, and Gifts signed at Washington on November 24, 1978 (Treaty Doc. 109-07), Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Govern-

ment of Sweden for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income signed at Washington on September 30, 2005 (Treaty Doc. 109-08), Protocol of 1997 to Amend the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as Modified by the Protocol of 1978 thereto (hereinafter the "Protocol of 1997"), The Protocol of 1997, which would add Annex VI, Regulations for the Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships, to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as Modified by the Protocol of 1978 (hereinafter the "MARPOL Convention"), was signed by the United States on December 22, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 108-07), Treaty Between the United States of America and Japan on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on August 5, 2003; including a related exchange of notes (Treaty Doc. 108-12), Treaty Between the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on October 14, 2003, and a related exchange of notes (Treaty Doc. 108-27), and the nominations of Randall L. Tobias, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Mark D. Wallace, of Florida, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform and to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, Richard T. Miller, of Texas, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, John A. Simon, of Maryland, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, promotion lists in the Foreign Service, and an original bill to implement the obligations of the United States under the Protocol Additional to the Agreement Between the United States of America and the International Atomic Energy Agency for the Application of Safeguards in the United States of America (Treaty Doc. 107-07), 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine Federal contractors with unpaid tax debt, focusing on the extent to which contractors are tax delinquent and what can be done about it, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine consolidation in the oil and gas industry, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael A. Chagares, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Gray Hampton Miller, to be United States District Judge

for the Southern District of Texas, and Jeffrey L. Sedgwick, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, and Sharee M. Freeman, of Virginia, to be Director, Community Relations Service, both of the Department of Justice, 3 p.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations*, hearing on the House of Representatives, Office of Compliance and the Architect of the Capitol, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies, on the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9:30 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans' Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Central Command, 1:30 p.m., 143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations, on the Attorney General, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on the Department of Defense Quadrennial Defense Review, 2 p.m., and to mark up H. Res. 685, Requesting the President and directing the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense

provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in their possession relating to any entity with which the United States has contracted for public relations purposes concerning Iraq, 5:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, hearing entitled "Review of the Rudman Report on Fannie Mae, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "Drowning in a Sea of Faux Secrets: Policies on Handling of Classified and Sensitive Information," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack, to markup the following: Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection; Annual Report to Congress on the Directorate of Science and Technology; and Project Bioshield Material Threats Act of 2006, 5:30 p.m., 1310 Longworth,

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 3509, Workplace Goods Job Growth and Competitiveness Act of 2005, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider H.R. 4939, Making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.